Treatment of Rheumatic arthritis

1907. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any further research for treatment of Rheumatic Arthritis in the country;

(b) if so, the details if drugs/injection developmed by the various companies for Rheumatic Arthritis; and

(c) whether the existing arrangements and the medicines available for treatment thereof in CGHS/Government Hospitals in Delhi and adequate; if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Rheumatic Arthritis is clinical manefestation of rheumatic fever. The treatment of Rheumatic Arthritis is well established and consists of bed rest, therepy with anti-inflammatory drug and penicillin.

(b) Drugs/Injections marketed by various companies for treatment of Rheumatic Arthritis are as under:—

Sl. No.	Names of the Drug
1	Ibuprofen
2	Naproxen
3	Piroxican
4	Diclafence Sodium
5	Flurbiprofen
6	Indomethacin
7	Ketoprofen
8	Mofanamic acid
9	Auranofin

(c) Existing arrangements for supply of medicines and treatment of Rheumatic Arthritis are adequate in CGHS/Central Government Hospitals in Delhi.

Government Body of Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy

1908. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the term of the present Governing Body of Central Council for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy has expired in September, 1991;

(b) if so, the steps Government have taken to constitute a new Governing Body; and

(c) the names and addresses of the member of the new Governing Body?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Reconstitution of Governing Body of Central Couucil for Research in Yoga and Naturopathy is under finalisation.

C. G. H. S. Dispensary in Faridabad

1909. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries covered by C.G.H.S. in Faridabad;

(b) the number of beneficiaries which according to fixed norms are attached to a C.G.H.S. dispensary;

(c) whether the number of beneficiaries in Faridabad is more than the fixed number and whether there is any proposal to set up at least one more C.G.H.S. dispensary; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARATHA): (a) There are 18,250 beneficiaries covered by Central Government Health Scheme in Faridabad.

(b) The minimum number of beneficiaries which are to be attached to a dispensary as per norms is 10,000 to 12,000.

(c) There are no norms for maximum number of beneficiaries attached to a CGHS dispensary. Due to financial constraints there is no proposal to open another dispensary in Faridabad at present.

(d) The question does not arise.

Facilities in CGHS Dispensaries in Faridabad

1910. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that CGHS beneficiaries in Faridabad contribute at the same rate as the beneficiaries in Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there are no facilities for treatment under Homoeopathic Ayurvedic and Unani Systems of Medicine under C.G.H.S. in Faridabad;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA-DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The CGHS beneficiaries in Faridabad are, however, allowed to avail Ayurvedic Homoeopathic/Unani facilities at the following dispensaries:

1. M.B. Road Dispensary (for homoeopathic treatment).
2. Kidwai Nagar Ayurvedi Dispensary.
3. Unani Dispensary at Sarojini Nagar.

Unlicenced Drug Companies

1911. KUMARI ALIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are many unlicenced drug manufacturing companies in Delhi and its surrounding areas;

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to trace-out these companies and to stop sale of their products in the open markets; and

(c) the number of such drug manufacturing units traced so far and action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA-DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c) As per the information furnished by the Delhi Administration only two unlicenced drugs manufacturing units were detected during the year 1989-90 in the Union Territory of Delhi.

Both these cases are under invesigation.

The Drugs Control Administration of the Delhi Administration keeps a check on such unlicenced units.

Detection of HIV

1912. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the specific tests for the detection of Human Immuno Deficiency Virus (HIV) antibodies and (HIV) in the blood of an individual infected with HIV;

(b) whether facilities for these tests are available in the country;

(c) if so, details thereof; and

(d) what are the details of the tests required to declare on infected persons as cured?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The specific test for the purpose are:

—Elisa Test (Enzyme Linked Immuno Sorbent Test). This is a screening test.

—Western Blot test which is the confirmatory test.

(b) and (c) The facilities for both the tests are available in the country.